

In the Claims:

Entry of the following amendments to place the claims into condition for allowance is respectfully requested:

1-7. (cancelled)

8. (currently amended) A pedal bearing block for receiving a pedal for a motor vehicle, comprising:

a basic body shell including a separate shell reinforcing element;

a connecting point for fastening the pedal bearing block to a front wall of the body shell; and

a bearing point for receiving a pedal bearing,

wherein the shell consists of metal and the reinforcing element consists of plastic, the shell is configured to be located between the pedal bearing and a mounting surface of the motor vehicle, and the bearing point is formed by the reinforcing element and the shell.

9. (previously presented) The pedal bearing block as claimed in claim 8, wherein an edge encircles the shell in some regions.

10. (previously presented) The pedal bearing block as claimed in claim 8, wherein the reinforcing element has ribs.

11. (previously presented) The pedal bearing block as claimed in claim 9, wherein the reinforcing element has ribs.

12. (previously presented) The pedal bearing block as claimed in claim 10, wherein the reinforcing element has ribs around the bearing point of the pedal bearing.

13. (previously presented) The pedal bearing block as claimed in claim 8, wherein the reinforcing element is secured on the shell.

14. (previously presented) The pedal bearing block as claimed in claim 9, wherein the reinforcing element substantially envelopes the encircling edge of the shell.

15. (previously presented) The pedal bearing block as claimed in claim 11, wherein the reinforcing element substantially envelopes the encircling edge of the shell.

16. (previously presented) The pedal bearing block as claimed in claim 8, wherein the reinforcing element has receiving elements for receiving functional elements.

17. (previously presented) The pedal bearing block as claimed in claim 9, wherein the reinforcing element has receiving elements for receiving functional elements.

18. (previously presented) The pedal bearing block as claimed in claim 12, wherein the reinforcing element has receiving elements for receiving functional elements.

19. (previously presented) The pedal bearing block as claimed in claim 13, wherein the reinforcing element has receiving elements for receiving functional elements.

20. (previously presented) The pedal bearing block as claimed in claim 14, wherein the reinforcing element has receiving elements for receiving functional elements.